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INFORMATION CONCERNING THE SHOOTING DEATH OF SAN FRANCISCO MAYOR

GEORGE R. MOSCONE AND SAN FRANCISCO COUNTY SUPERVISOR HARVEY MILK,

NOVEMBER 27, 1978.

RICO (D)

FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE BUREAU, ON NOVEMBER 27, 1978, AT APPROXIMATELY 11:00 A.M., SAN FRANCISCO MAYOR GEORGE MOSCONE WAS SHOT AND KILLED IN HIS CITY HALL OFFICE. SHORTLY THEREAFTER, THE ALLEGED GUNMAN, FORMER SAN FRANCISCO SUPERVISOR DANIEL J. WHITE, PROCEEDED TO THE CITY HALL OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND

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SHOT AND KILLED SUPERVISOR HARVEY MILK. WHITE WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY, WAS QUESTIONED BY MEMBERS OF THE SAN FRANCISCO POLICE DEPARTMENT AND HAS BEEN CHARGED WITH TWO COUNTS OF MURDER.

ON NOVEMBER 10, 1978, SUPERVISOR WHITE, IN A LETTER TO MAYOR MOSCONE, RESIGNED HIS POSITION, CITING ECONOMIC REASONS FOR HIS INABILITY TO CARRY OUT HIS ELECTED POSITION. THE EFFECTIVE DATE OF THE RESIGNATION WAS NOVEMBER 10, 1978, BUT ON NOVEMBER 15, 1978, WHITE ANNOUNCED THAT HE WISHED TO RESCIND HIS RESIGNATION, CLAIMING HIS FRIENDS HAD HELPED HIM CLEAR UP HIS FINANCIAL TROUBLES.

INITIALLY, GEORGE MOSCONE STATED HE COULD SEE NO PROBLEM IN WHITE RETURNING TO PUBLIC OFFICE BUT A CITY ATTORNEY'S OPINION STATED WHITE WOULD HAVE TO BE APPOINTED BACK INTO OFFICE BY THE MAYOR. MEDIA ACCOUNTS REVEAL THAT A GREAT DEAL OF PUBLIC PRESSURE AGAINST THE WHITE APPOINTMENT WAS DIRECTED AGAINST MOSCONE WHO, ON NOVEMBER 27, 1978, WAS EXPECTED TO FILL THE VACANCY. ON THE MORNING OF NOVEMBER 27, 1978, MEDIA BROADCAST STATED THAT MOSCONE WAS NOT EXPECTED TO APPOINT WHITE TO HIS OLD POSITION, THUS SUGGESTING A POSSIBLE MOTIVE FOR THE HOMICIDE. AT PRESENT, THE REASON BEHIND MILK'S MURDER IS UNKNOWN; HOWEVER, THE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THE MOTIVE MAY RESULT FROM MILK'S SUPPORT OF A REPLACEMENT

FOR WHITE AS SUPERVISOR.

SAN FRANCISCO HAS TWO SEPARATE CURRENT INVESTIGATIONS WHICH RELATE TO MOSCONE, MILK AND DAN WHITE.

SAN FRANCISCO CASE CAPTIONED "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, ALLEGATIONS OF POLITICAL CORRUPTION, CITY AND COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO, RICO (D)" SF FILE 183-432, IS EXPLORING THE POSSIBILITY OF MOSCONE AND MILK COLLABORATING TO DEFRAUD THE FEDERALLY SPONSORED SAN FRANCISCO COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND. ALSO UNDER INVESTIGATION ARE ALLEGATIONS THAT MOSCONE RECEIVED TEN THOUSAND DOLLARS IN EXCHANGE FOR FAVORABLE TREATMENT IN THE BUILDING OF A CONTROVERSIAL MC'DONALD'S RESTAURANT.

THE INVESTIGATION REGARDING DAN WHITE IS CAPTIONED, "UNKNOWN SUBJECTS, POLITICAL CORRUPTION CONCERNING PIER 39 CONCESSIONS, HOBBS ACT - CORRUPTION OF PUBLIC OFFICIALS", SF FILE 194-26. WHITE AND SEVERAL OTHER PUBLIC OFFICIALS ALLEGEDLY SECURED FAVORABLE TREATMENT FOR PIER 39 DEVELOPER WARREN SIMMONS IN EXCHANGE FOR CONCESSIONS AT THE NEWLY CONSTRUCTED PIER. DAN WHITE DOES LEASE SPACE AT PIER 39 WHERE HE OPERATES A FAST-FOOD RESTAURANT.

THE ABOVE TWO SAN FRANCISCO INVESTIGATIONS SHOULD NOT BE DISCUSSED OUTSIDE THE BUREAU.

INFORMATION FURNISHED TO THE BUREAU, SACRAMENTO AND OTHER

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UNCLAS E F T O

WEST COAST OFFICES IN VIEW OF POSSIBLE PRESS INQUIRIES, ESPECIALLY  
IN LIGHT OF SACRAMENTO'S WELL-PUBLICIZED MOSCONE/SUMMA CORPORATION  
INFLUENCED BUYING INVESTIGATION.

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CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIVE DIVISION

Attached from San Francisco sets forth details concerning the shooting deaths of San Francisco Mayor George J. Moscone and San Francisco County Supervisor Harvey Milk on 11/27/78. The alleged gunman was former San Francisco Supervisor Daniel J. White. It should be noted that this matter has received extensive news media coverage. It was pointed out that San Francisco has two separate current investigations which relate to victims Moscone and Milk as well as Daniel White. One of the investigations concerns an allegation of political corruption involving the City and County of San Francisco (RICO), as there was a possibility Moscone and Milk collaborated to defraud the federally sponsored San Francisco Community Development Fund. Also under investigation are allegations that Moscone received \$10,000 in exchange for favorable treatment in the building of a controversial McDonald's Restaurant. The investigation regarding Daniel White is captioned "Unknown Subjects, Political Corruption concerning Pier 39 Concessions, Hobbs Act - Corruption of Public Officials." It was alleged that White and several other public officials secured favorable treatment for Pier 39 developer, Warren Simmons, in exchange for concessions at the newly constructed Pier. Daniel White operates a fast-food restaurant in leased space at Pier 39. San Francisco points out that these investigations should not be discussed outside of the Bureau and are being furnished to the Bureau and other West Coast offices in view of possibility of press inquiries.

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GEORGE R. MOSCONE, MAYOR  
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA;  
RICO

ReSCairtel to the Bureau, 10/9/80, captioned Corruption  
of Public Officials - Quarterly Survey (SC 194-1).

Enclosures to reSCairtel reflected Moscone to be a subject  
of 3 pending public corruption matters as captioned above and in  
SC 183-197 subfiles A and C.

Inasmuch as subject is deceased, Sacramento (SC) is  
requested to review captioned SC file and subfiles to determine if  
they should remain in a pending status. A review of FBIHQ file,  
reveals latest communication to Bureau is 12/8/78.

In future submissions, Moscone's name should be deleted  
from survey.

Enclosures (3)

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PUBLIC CORRUPTION SURVEY

TITLE OF CASE

GEORGE R. MOSCONE  
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BUREAU FILE # 183-2038

DATE CASE OPENED 7/2/78

IDENTIFICATION OF OFFICIALS AND POSITIONS HELD

~~George R. Moscone~~ was a former California State Senator and  
former Mayor of San Francisco.

STATUS OF PROSECUTION Provide a brief statement as to the progress of  
prosecution to date. Include indictments, convictions, sentences,  
recoveries, and potential economic loss prevented.

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PUBLIC CORRUPTION SURVEY

TITLE OF CASE

ALLEGED PAYMENTS TO GEORGE  
MOSCONI FROM CERRELL ASSOCIATES  
THROUGH BRADLEY GROUP  
RICO (D)  
OO: SC

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DATE CASE OPENED 11/21/78

IDENTIFICATION OF OFFICIALS AND POSITIONS HELD

~~George Moscone~~ was a former California State Senator and  
former Mayor of San Francisco. Joseph Cerrell and Don  
Bradley have public relations firms.

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recoveries, and potential economic loss prevented.

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PUBLIC CORRUPTION SURVEY

TITLE OF CASE

GEORGE R. MOSCONE;  
BERNARD TEITELBAUM;  
DONALD KENT BROWN;  
JOSEPH R. CERRELL  
RICO (D)  
OO: SC

LEVEL OF GOVERNMENT

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DATE CASE OPENED 7/27/78

IDENTIFICATION OF OFFICIALS AND POSITIONS HELD

George R. Moscone was a former California State Senator and former Mayor of San Francisco. Bernard Teitelbaum was an administrative aide to Senator Moscone and Deputy Mayor to him. Donald Kent Brown is a Sacramento Lobbyist. Joseph Cerrell is a Los Angeles public relations man.

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